

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2293

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PASS WHITE HOUSE/SCHLESINGER, FEA AND FPC

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, CA

SUBJ: ENERGY: PROPANE AND BUTANE SUPPLY SITUATION

REF: OTTAWA 0372

1. NEB MEMBER, WILLIAM SCOTLAND, FOLLOWING UP ON CROWE'S  
OFFER TO LOOK INTO PROPANE SUPPLY SITUATION, HAS ADVISED  
EMBASSY THAT PROPANE AND BUTANE ARE CURRENTLY MOVING INTO  
U.S. AT MAXIMUM RATE POSSIBLE GIVEN TRANSPORTATION  
FACILITIES.

2. HE SAID THAT NO APPLICATIONS FOR EXPORT HAVE BEEN  
DENIED. RECENT REVISION OF ANNUAL (APRIL TO MARCH)  
ALLOCATION AVAILABLE FOR LICENSE RAISED TOTALS TO 3.5  
MILLION BARRELS OF PROPANE AND 1.7 MILLION BARRELS OF  
BUTANE. SCOTLAND SAID, HOWEVER, THAT PROBABLY ONLY ABOUT  
TWO-THIRDS OF THIS AMOUNT WILL MOVE. ALL RAIL TANK CARS  
AND TANK TRUCKS ARE FULLY BOOKED. ANYTHING THAT CAN MOVE  
IS MOVING. LICENSED AMOUNTS EXCEED THE PHYSICAL  
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POSSIBILITIES. SCOTLAND SAID THIS SITUATION IS  
CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SEASON OF THE YEAR WHETHER  
THERE IS AN EMERGENCY OR NOT. HE COMMENTED THAT  
BECAUSE OF THE SHUTDOWN OF COLUMBIA'S SNG PLANT AT  
GREEN SPRINGS, OHIO, DOME, WHICH SUPPLIES GREEN  
SPRINGS, WILL ACTUALLY BE PUTTING PROPANE INTO STORAGE  
BECAUSE IT HAS NO MEANS TO MOVE IT ELSEWHERE.

3. DO WASHINGTON AGENCIES SEE ANY WAY IN WHICH THIS  
TRANSPORTATION BOTTLENECK CAN BE OVERCOME IN WHOLE  
OR IN PART?  
ENDERS

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